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The message also announced that pursuant to section 1501(b) of the National Defense Authorization Act for Fiscal Year 2004 (P.L. 108-136), the Minority Leader appoints the following individuals on the part of the House of Representatives to the Veterans' Disability Benefits Commission: Col. Larry G. Brown of Oregon and Mr. Joe Wynn of Washington, DC.

At 3:23 p.m., a message from the House of Representatives, delivered by Ms. Niland, one of its reading clerks, announced that the House has passed the following bill, without amendment:

S. 1167. A bill to resolve the boundary conflicts in Barry and Stone Counties in the State of Missouri.

MEASURES REFERRED

The following bills were read the first and the second times by unanimous consent, and referred as indicated:

H.R. 3598. An act to establish an inter-agency committee to coordinate Federal manufacturing research and development efforts in manufacturing, strengthen existing programs to assist manufacturing innovation and education, and expand outreach programs for small and medium-sized manufacturers, and for other purposes; to the Committee on Commerce, Science, and Transportation.

H.R. 3980. An act to establish a National Windstorm Impact Reduction Program; to the Committee on Commerce, Science, and Transportation.

EXECUTIVE AND OTHER COMMUNICATIONS

The following communications were laid before the Senate, together with accompanying papers, reports, and documents, and were referred as indicated:

EC-8381. A communication from the Deputy Associate Administrator, Environmental Protection Agency, transmitting, a report entitled "Implementation Guidance for the Filter Backwash Recycling Rule"; to the Committee on Environment and Public Works.

EC-8382. A communication from the Deputy Associate Administrator, Environmental Protection Agency, transmitting, pursuant to law, two Uniform Resource Locators for documents that the Agency recently issued; to the Committee on Environment and Public Works.

EC-8383. A communication from the Group Manager, Regulatory Affairs, Bureau of Land Management, transmitting, pursuant to law, the report of a rule entitled "Location, Recording, and Maintenance of Mining Claims or Sites" (RIN1004-AD62) received on July 6, 2004; to the Committee on Energy and Natural Resources.

EC-8384. A communication from the Acting Chair, Fish and Wildlife Service, Department of the Interior, transmitting, pursuant to law, the report of a rule entitled "Subsist-

ence Management Regulations for Public Lands in Alaska, Subpart C and D—2004-2005 Subsistence Taking of Wildlife Regulations" (RIN1018-AJ25) received on June 24, 2004; to the Committee on Energy and Natural Resources.

EC-8385. A communication from the Administrator, National Nuclear Security Administration, Department of Energy, transmitting, pursuant to law, a report relative to the Agreement Between the Government of the United States of America and the Government of the United Kingdom of Great Britain and Northern Ireland for Cooperation on the Uses of Atomic Energy for Mutual Defense Purposes; to the Committee on Energy and Natural Resources.

EC-8386. A communication from the Administrator, National Nuclear Security Administration, Department of Energy, transmitting, pursuant to law, a report relative to calendar year 2003 sales to designated Tier III countries of computers capable of operating at a speed in excess of a specified number of theoretical operations per second by companies that participated in the Advanced Simulation and Computing Program of the Department; to the Committee on Energy and Natural Resources.

EC-8387. A communication from the Secretary of Homeland Security, transmitting, pursuant to law, a draft of proposed legislation relative to maritime transportation security, and for other purposes; to the Committee on Commerce, Science, and Transportation.

EC-8388. A communication from the Secretary of Homeland Security, transmitting, pursuant to law, a report relative to progress on a demonstration project using the Coast Guard Housing Authorities; to the Committee on Commerce, Science, and Transportation.

EC-8389. A communication from the Chief, Regulations and Administrative Law, Coast Guard, transmitting, pursuant to law, the report of a rule entitled "Navigation and Navigable Waters; Technical, Organizational, and Conforming Amendments" (RIN1625-ZA02) received on July 6, 2004; to the Committee on Commerce, Science, and Transportation.

EC-8390. A communication from the Chief, Regulations and Administrative Law, Coast Guard, transmitting, pursuant to law, the report of a rule entitled "Special Anchorage Area; Madeline Island, WI" (RIN1625-AA01) received on July 6, 2004; to the Committee on Commerce, Science, and Transportation.

EC-8391. A communication from the Chief, Regulations and Administrative Law, Coast Guard, transmitting, pursuant to law, the report of a rule entitled "Safety/Security Zones (Including 6 Regulations)—COTP San Francisco Bay 03-009, CGD13-04-002, COTP San Francisco Bay 03-026, CGD09-04-001, CGD01-03-020, CGD08-04-004" (RIN1625-AA00) received on July 6, 2004; to the Committee on Commerce, Science, and Transportation.

EC-8392. A communication from the Chief, Regulations and Administrative Law, Coast Guard, transmitting, pursuant to law, the report of a rule entitled "Fire-Suppression Systems and Voyage Planning for Towing Vessels [USCG-2000-6931]" (RIN1625-AA60) received on July 6, 2004; to the Committee on Commerce, Science, and Transportation.

EC-8393. A communication from the Chief, Regulations and Administrative Law, Coast Guard, transmitting, pursuant to law, the report of a rule entitled "Training and Qualifications for Personnel on Passenger Ships [USCG-1999-5610]" (RIN1625-AA24) received on July 6, 2004; to the Committee on Commerce, Science, and Transportation.

EC-8394. A communication from the Chief, Regulations and Administrative Law, Coast Guard, transmitting, pursuant to law, the report of a rule entitled "Drawbridge Oper-

ation Regulations (Including 4 Regulations)—CGD11-04-005, CGD05-04-118, CGD01-04-047, CGD01-04-048" () received on July 6, 2004; to the Committee on Commerce, Science, and Transportation.

EC-8395. A communication from the Chief, Regulations and Administrative Law, Coast Guard, transmitting, pursuant to law, the report of a rule entitled "Drawbridge Regulations (Including 7 Regulations)—CGD01-04-019, CGD01-04-033, CGD01-03-115, CGD01-04-021, CGD01-04-027, CGD01-00-228, CGD07-04-010" () received on July 6, 2004; to the Committee on Commerce, Science, and Transportation.

EC-8396. A communication from the Chief, Regulations and Administrative Law, Coast Guard, transmitting, pursuant to law, the report of a rule entitled "Penalties for Non-Submission of Ballast Water Management Reports [USCG-2002-13147]" (RIN1625-AA51) received on July 6, 2004; to the Committee on Commerce, Science, and Transportation.

EC-8397. A communication from the Chief, Regulations and Administrative Law, Coast Guard, transmitting, pursuant to law, the report of a rule entitled "Country of Origin Codes and Revision of Regulations on Hull Identification Numbers [USCG-2003-14272]" (RIN1625-AA53) received on July 6, 2004; to the Committee on Commerce, Science, and Transportation.

EC-8398. A communication from the Chief, Regulations and Administrative Law, Coast Guard, transmitting, pursuant to law, the report of a rule entitled "Update of Rules on Aids to Navigation Affecting Buoys, Sound Signals, International Rules at Sea, Communications Procedures, and Large Navigational Buoys [USCG-2001-10714]" (RIN1625-AA34) received on July 6, 2004; to the Committee on Commerce, Science, and Transportation.

EC-8399. A communication from the Chief, Regulations and Administrative Law, Coast Guard, transmitting, pursuant to law, the report of a rule entitled "Safety/Security Zones (Including 17 Regulations)—CGD09-04-034, CGD09-04-032, CGD09-04-025, CGD09-04-024, CGD09-04-023, CGD09-04-035, CGD09-04-030, CGD09-04-031, CGD09-04-027, CGD01-04-075, CGD05-04-106, COTP San Francisco Bay 04-013, CGD05-04-105, COTP Huntington 04-001, CGD01-04-053, COTP Charleston 04-046, COTP San Francisco Bay 04-012" (RIN1625-AA00) received on July 6, 2004; to the Committee on Commerce, Science, and Transportation.

EC-8400. A communication from the Acting Under Secretary and Acting Director, United States Patent and Trademark Office, transmitting, pursuant to law, the report of a rule entitled "Revision of Power of Attorney and Assignment Practice" (RIN0651-AB63) received on June 25, 2004; to the Committee on Commerce, Science, and Transportation.

EC-8401. A communication from the Deputy Assistant Administrator for Regulatory Programs, National Marine Fisheries Service, Office of Sustainable Fisheries, transmitting, pursuant to law, the report of a rule entitled "Final Rule to Implement Amendment 63 to the FMP for Groundfish in the Gulf of Alaska" (RIN0648-AR73) received on June 24, 2004; to the Committee on Commerce, Science, and Transportation.

EC-8402. A communication from the Regulations Analyst, Office of the Chief Counsel, Transportation Security Administration, transmitting, pursuant to law, the report of a rule entitled "Privacy Act of 1974: Implementation of Exemption" (RIN1652-AA28) received on June 25, 2004; to the Committee on Commerce, Science, and Transportation.

EC-8403. A communication from the Acting Director, Office of Sustainable Fisheries, National Marine Fisheries Service, transmitting, pursuant to law, the report of a rule entitled "Closure of Fishing for Species that